

Abstract

The invention relates to a method and device for crosslinking a biocompatible, polymerisable material in order to produce an ophthalmic moulding, especially an ophthalmic lens, particularly a contact lens. The invention is concerned with the problem of further improving the crosslinking process for ophthalmic mouldings consisting of biocompatible polymerisable materials, especially for contact lenses, in order to ensure constant quality of the mouldings. This problem is solved by coupling the UV light into the mould cavity using optical fibres, thereby ensuring homogeneous illumination of the mould cavity. By attaching a number of optical fibres to an ultraviolet lamp, an ultraviolet lamp can be used to crosslink a number of casting moulds, whereupon a very high intensity of illumination can be attained in an efficient manner, enabling rapid polymerisation of the filled moulding material to take place.